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Chip and Eric:

It is my understanding that our sampling team is pretty much done with sampling the study area and are now moving on to upstream locations. At this rate the sampling may be completed in the next few days. As you know, we only collected a few ammocoetes in the study area (likely enough tissue for only one composite sample). Coincidentally, I ran into Brian Cunninghame on Friday and he expressed concerns about our sampling locations and techniques (although I reminded him that these were spelled-out in the FSP that was reviewed and approved by your team). Therefore, I strongly suggest that you check-in with your team to see if they have any suggestions for additional sample locations or techniques. If possible we may be able to accommodate their suggestions during this sampling event.

Also, as we have said in the past, the LWG will coordinate with your team and can accommodate them on the sampling boat (room and safety permitting). Since this is the last of four attempts to collect the ammocoetes, please provide feedback from your team ASAP. Thanks, Jim.